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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY TODMAN

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SUBJECT: TODMAN VISIT

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1. EMBASSY HAS BEEN REFLECTING ON A SUGGESTED ITINERARY AND TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION WITH BOG OFFICIALS FOR YOUR MAY 14-16 VISIT TO BOLIVIA AND IS PROVIDING HEREIN A VERY PRELIMINARY DRAFT FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION. WE WISH TO POINT OUT THAT SINCE WE HAVE NOT YET INFORMED THE GOB OF YOUR VISIT, THIS SCHEDULE HAS BEEN PREPARED WITHOUT FOREIGN MINISTRY CONSULTATION. THE GOB MIGHT WISH TO HOST SOME SOCIAL EVNT OR EVEN ARRANGE A MINI-CABINET WORKING MEETING WHICH WOULD REQUIRE SIGNIFICANT REARRANGEMENT OF THE SCHEDULE.

2. AS PRESENTLY CONSTITUTED YOUR ITINERARY MIGHT BE AS FOLLOWS:

SATURDAY - MAY 14, 1977

1415 - ARRIVE AT EL ALTO AIRPORT, LA PAZ MET BY FOREIGN MINISTRY AND EMBASSY OFFICIALS. INFORMAL REMARKS TO ANY MEMBERS OF THE PRESS.

1600 - INFORMAL SENIOR STAFF MEETING AT RESIDENCE OVER COFFEE.

2000-2200 - RECEPTION AT RESIDENCE IN HONOR OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY
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TODMAN. GUEST LIST TO INCLUDE HIGH GOB OFFICIALS, BOLIVIANS PROMINENT IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR AND THE ARTS AND SCIENCES, EMBASSY PERSONNEL, MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN BUSINESS COMMUNITY AND REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE AMERICAN SCHOOL AND THE AMERICAN COMMUNITY IN GENERAL. (GUEST LIST TO VARY DEPENDENT UPON SECONDARY PROGRAM.)

SUNDAY, MAY 15, 1977

1030 - DRIVE TO HUATAJATA, ON LAKE TITICACA WITH AMBASSADOR AND MRS. STEDMAN AND OTHER EMBASSY OFFICIALS.

1200 - BOAT EXCURSION TO THE ISLAND OF SURIQU WITH A PICNIC LUNCH ABOARD.

1500 - RETURN DRIVE TO LA PAZ AND DRIVE THROUGH CITY AND ITS ENVIRONS. (UPON REFLECTION WE HAVE CONCLUDED THAT THE SUGGESTED TRIP TO COROICO (LA PAZ 3019) WOULD BE LONG AND STRENUOUS WITH POOR AND UNCERTAIN ROAD CONDITIONS AND CONSEQUENTLY THIS ALTERNATIVE IS BEING DISCARDED.)

1900 - COCKTAILS (OR COCKTAILS/BUFFET) AT FSO KEMP'S RESIDENCE WITH JUNIOR OFFICERS.

ONDAY, MAY 16, 1977

0900 - "COFFEE HOUR" WITH EMBASSY EMPLOYEES IN CAFETERIA AND A TOUR OF EMBASSY BUILDING.

MORNING OR - CALLS ON PRESIDENT BANZER, FOREIGN AND INTERIOR MINISTERS (NOT YET REQUESTED).

1230 - LUNCHEON AT AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE WITH SUCH GOB OFFICIALS AS MINISTERS OF PLANNING, FINANCE, MINES AND COMMERCE AND MEMBERS OF THE PRESIDENCY OF THE REPUBLIC.

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1600 - MEETING WITH OFFICERS OF LOCAL EMPLOYEES' ASSOCIATION.

1900 - MEETING WITH NEWS MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES IN EMBASSY CONFERENCE ROOM.

1930 - SUPPER AT RESIDENCE WITH AMBASSADOR AND MRS. STEDMAN (OPPORTUNITY FOR REVIEW OF VISIT).

2120 - DEPART RESIDENCE FOR AIRPORT. BRIEF INFORMAL REMARKS AT AIRPORT.

THE TIMING OF MAY 16 EVENTS CAN BE ADJUSTED DEPENDENT UPON TIMES FIXED FOR CALLS ON PRESIDENT AND FOREIGN MINISTER.

3. THE FOLLOWING TOPICS ARE SOME WHICH YOU MAY WANT TO RAISE OR MAY BE QUERIED ABOUT IN YOUR DISCUSSIONS WITH GOB OFFICIALS:

A. ACCELERATION OF THE JUDICIAL PROCESS IN THE CASES OF U.S. CITIZEN PRISONERS.

B. EXPLANATION OF U.S. POLICY ON HUMAN RIGHTS.

C. ANTI-COCAINE TRAFFIC ACTIVITIES AND COCA CROP SUBSTITUTION PROGRAM.

D. TIN POLICY

1. CONGRATULATE OFFICIALS ON BOLIVIAN DECISION TO JOIN ITA.

2. POSSIBLE U.S. CONTRIBUTION IN KIND TO COUNCIL BUFFER STOCK.

3. POLICY ON GSA SALES.

E. U.S. THOUGHTS ON THE POTENTIAL FOR A CHILE-PERU CONFLICT (ONLY IF RAISED BY THE BOLIVIANS). BOLIVIAN INVOLVEMENT OR NEUTRALITY.

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F. MILITARY ASSISTANCE

1. ACCELERATION OF DELIVERY OF GRANT MATERIAL.

2. SOFTENING OF FMS CREDIT TERMS.

G. BOLIVIAN QUEST FOR AN OUTLET TO THE SEA.

H. BRIEF GOB OFFICIALS ON THE STATE OF U.S. DISCUSSIONS WITH CUBA AND PANAMA CANAL NEGOTIATIONS.
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